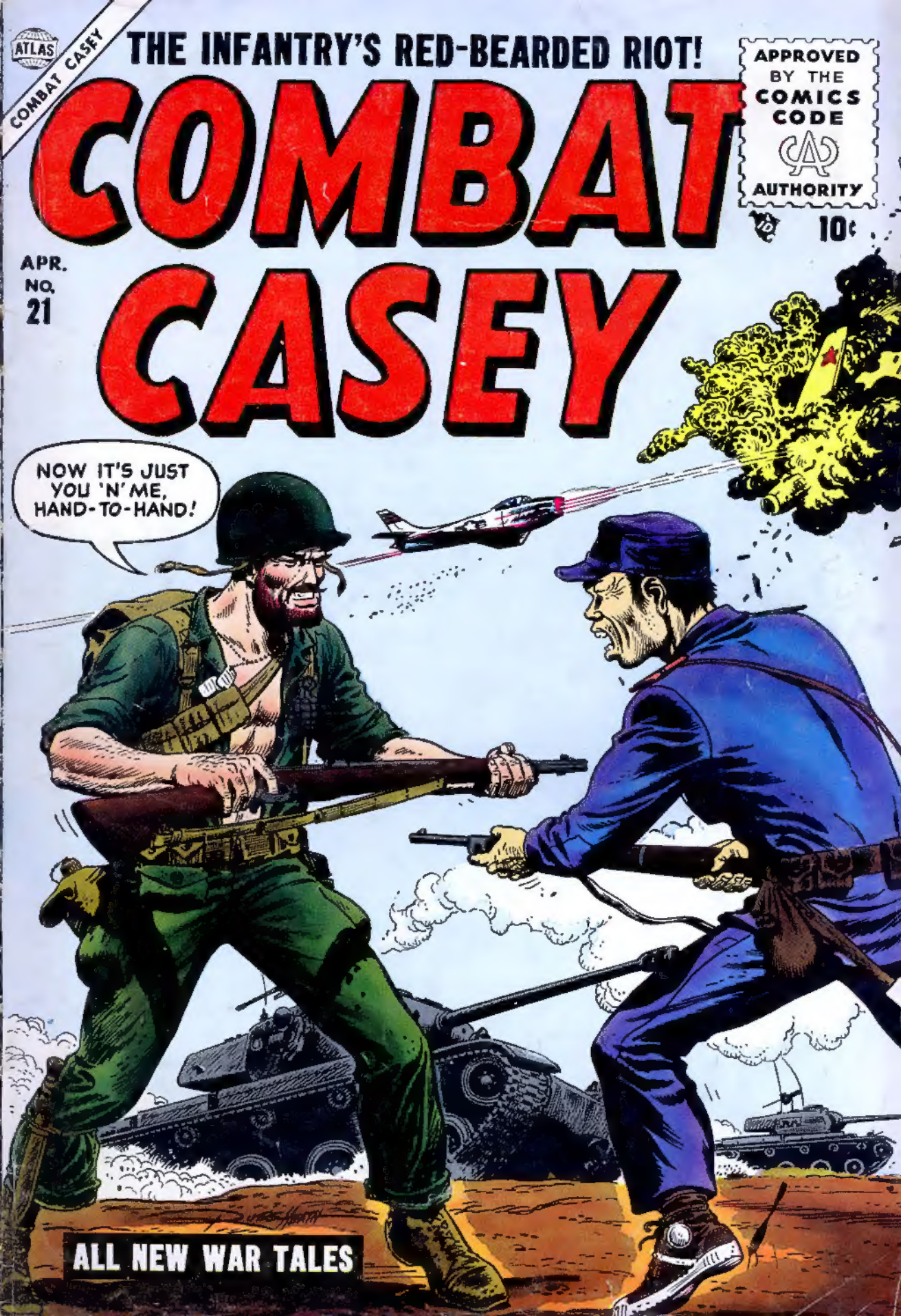
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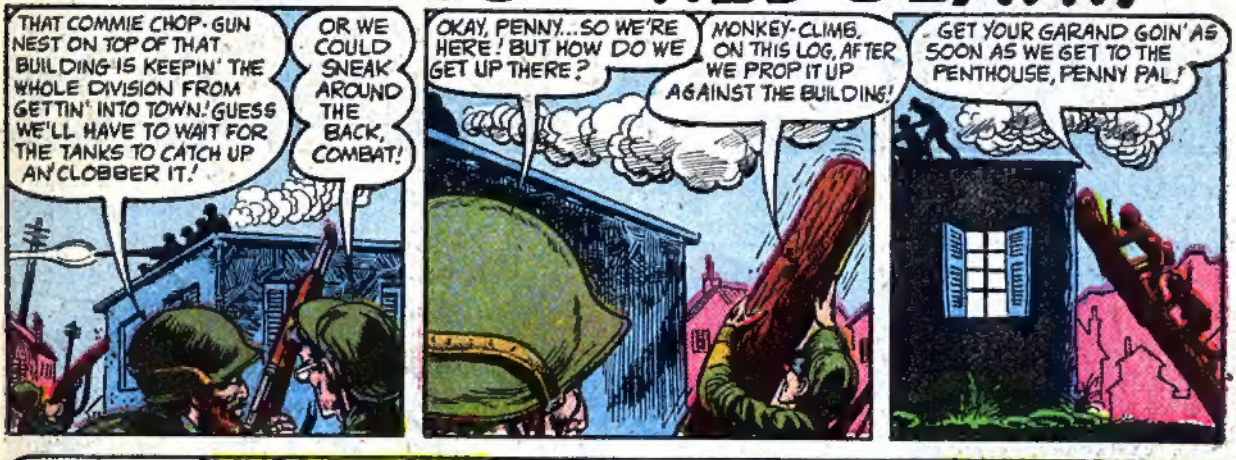
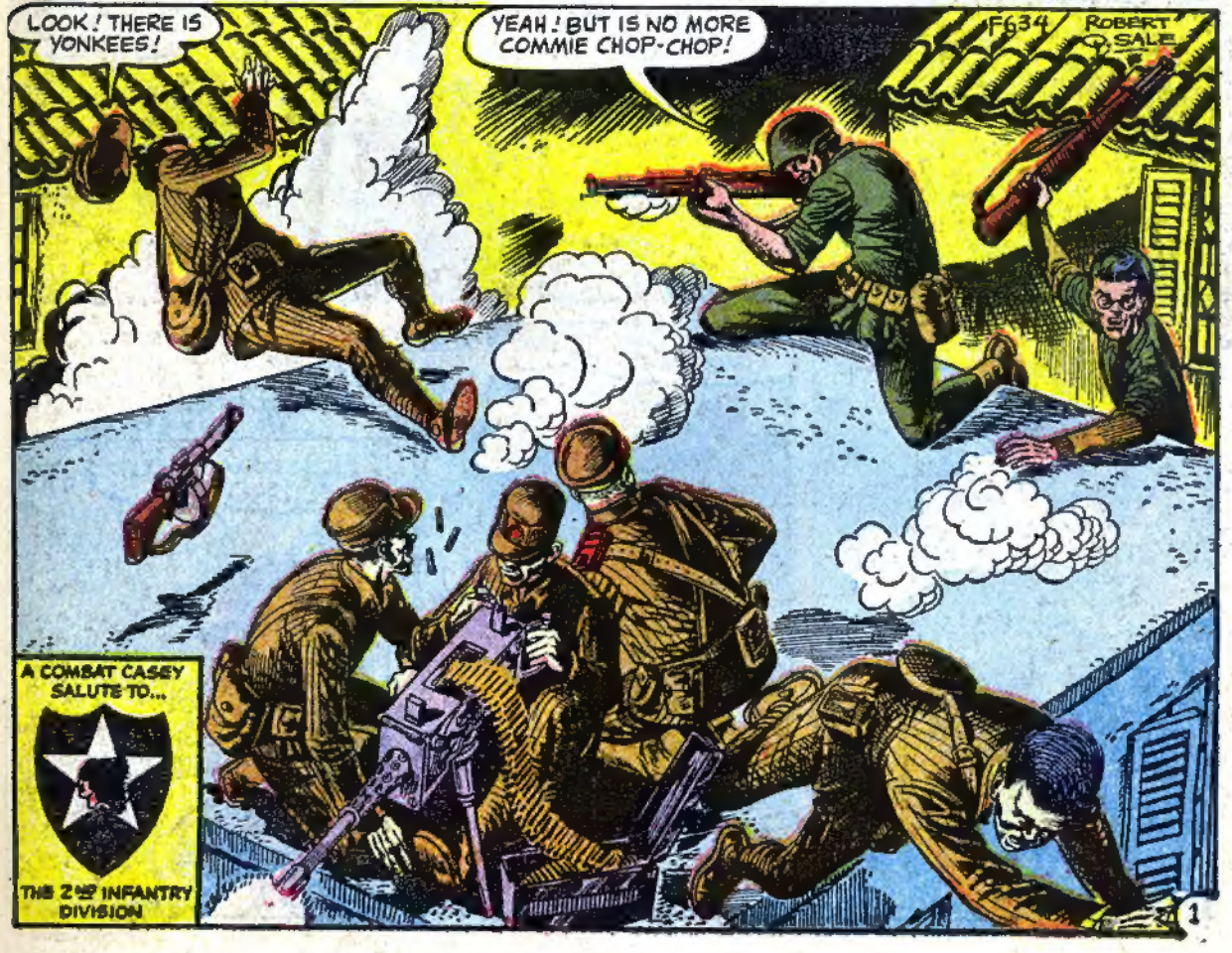
SLAM INTO COMBAT ON THE SIDE OF...

COMBAT CASEY

THE TINY VILLAGE OF PUDONG, IN THE RUGGED KOREAN MOUNTAINS, WAS HOME TO THE KOREAN FARMERS! TO THE DOGGIES OF THE 2ND INFANTRY DIVISION, IT WAS JUST ANOTHER TOWN THAT HAD TO BE TAKEN FROM THE COMMIES! AND TO THE ENEMY, *PUDONG* BECAME THE PLACE OF...

"HONG SSU"--RED DEATH!


THAT COMMIE CHOP-GUN NEST ON TOP OF THAT BUILDING IS KEEPIN' THE WHOLE DIVISION FROM GETTIN' INTO TOWN! GUESS WE'LL HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE TANKS TO CATCH UP AN' CLOBBER IT!
OR WE COULD SNEAK AROUND THE BACK, COMBAT!
OKAY, PENNY... SO WE'RE HERE! BUT HOW DO WE GET UP THERE?
MONKEY-CLIMB, ON THIS LOG, AFTER WE PROP IT UP AGAINST THE BUILDING!
GET YOUR GARAND GOIN' AS SOON AS WE GET TO THE PENTHOUSE, PENNY PAL!



COMBAT CASEY'S MIGHTY BLOW SPUN THE MACHINE GUN AROUND ON ITS TRIPOD LIKE THE PROP OF A B-29, AND THE WHIRLING GUN SWEPT THE RED GUNNERS OFF THE ROOF..

AMERICANS! NOW IT IS MY PLEASURE TO SHORTEN YOUR MISERABLE EXISTENCE!
YOU'LL PROBABLY CALL ME A NASTY OL' KILL-JOY FOR WHAT I'M GOIN' TO DO, FATSO!

THE INSTANT THE MAJOR AND PENNY HIT THE GROUND, A BLAZING BLOT OF FIRE SPLASHED OVER THE SPOT, AS THE GRENADE THE RED STILL CLUTCHED WENT OFF..

THERE WERE TEARS IN COMBAT CASEY'S EYES, AS HE CLIMBED DOWN FROM THE ROOF AND KNELT AT HIS PAL'S SIDE...
HIS HEART IS STILL BEATING, BUT HE'S WOUNDED BAD!
COMBAT GOT UP AND RAN THRU THE SNIPER-STUDDED STREETS...
MEDIC! HEY, DOC! WHERE ARE YA? MEDIC!
OVER HERE, COMBAT! WHO'VE YOU GOT THAT'S HIT?
MY PAL PENNY... AN' HE'S HIT BAD! HURRY, DOC!
HEY! WHAT KINDA GAG IS THIS? THERE'S PENNY, AN' HE LOOKS OKAY TO ME!
IT'S PENNY! HE SHOULDN'T BE UP ON HIS FEET, FIGHTIN' IN HIS CONDITION!
PENNY! LAY DOWN! TAKE IT EASY! I GOT THE MEDIC! HE'LL FIX YA UP!
I'M OKAY, COMBAT! I'M NOT HURT!
OF COURSE YOU ARE! BUT YOU'RE DELIRIOUS! YOU DON'T REALIZE WHAT YOU'RE SAYING!
I TELL YOU I'M OKAY! THAT COMMIE MAJOR FELL ON TOP OF ME, AND HIS BODY SHIELDED ME FROM THAT GRENADE BLAST!
B-BUT THE... YOUR CLOTHES ARE SOAKED!
THAT'S BEET JUICE! I BELLY-LANDED OFF THAT ROOF RIGHT INTO THIS PATCH OF BEETS!
OH!
HERE, COMBAT! I FOUND THESE... AND NOW I'M SURE YOU LOST 'EM!
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COMBAT CASEY AND HIS PAL, PENNY P. PENNINGTON GOT BACK INTO THE BATTLE AFTER THAT, AND BY NOON, ALMOST THE ENTIRE TOWN OF PUDONG WAS CLEARED OF REDS...
ALL EXCEPT THAT BUILDING, CAP'N! IT'S LOADED WITH COMMIES, AN' THEY'VE GOT CHOPPERS POKING OUT OF EVERY DOOR AN' WINDOW! WE CAN'T GET NEAR THE JOINT!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO, COMBAT! OUR TANKS JUST ROLLED IN, AN' WHEN THEY GET THRU PLASTERING THAT BUILDING, THERE WON'T BE A RED BRICK...OR A RED LEFT!
A FEW MINUTES LATER, A PLATOON OF TANKS WAS LINED UP WITH ITS 90-MM DESTROYERS ZEROED IN ON THE COMMIE STRONGHOLD...
OKAY, LIEUTENANT... START BLASTING!
NO, CAPTAIN SAN! PLEASE TO STOP!
PLEASE DO NOT DESTROY THAT BUILDING! IT IS OUR SCHOOLHOUSE!
BUT IT'S FILLED WITH COMMUNISTS, MADAM! AND AS LONG AS THEY'RE IN THERE, THEY'RE A DANGER TO YOUR PEOPLE AND MY MEN!
OUR CONCERN IS NOT FOR THE BUILDING, CAPTAIN SAN... IT IS FOR OUR CHILDREN!
THE COMMUNISTS FORCED ALL OUR CHILDREN INTO THE SCHOOLHOUSE WHEN YOUR DIVISION ATTACKED THE VILLAGE!
THEY SAID THAT YOU AMERICANS ARE SOFT-HEARTED FOOLS AND WOULD NOT SHELL THE SCHOOLHOUSE WHEN YOU LEARNED IT CONTAINED OUR CHILDREN!
YES, COMRADE COLONEL... YOU WERE CORRECT! THE YONKEES REFUSE TO FIRE, NOW THAT THEY KNOW THE KOREAN PEASANTS' OFFSPRING ARE IN HERE WITH US!
GOOD! BUT DO SOMETHING TO SHUT THE MOUTHS OF THE LITTLE DEVILS!
IF I DON'T ORDER THAT SCHOOL-HOUSE CLOBBERED, THE REDS WILL HOLD UP THE ENTIRE ADVANCE! AND IF I DO HAVE IT CLOBBERED, DOZENS OF INNOCENT KIDS WILL DIE! WHAT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO?
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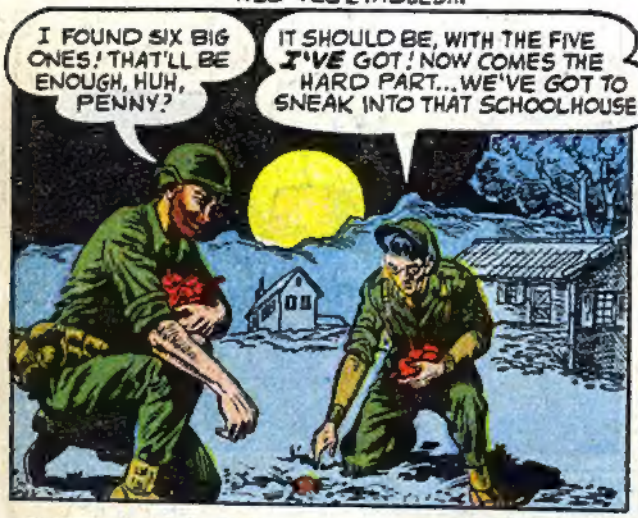
NO ONE COULD ANSWER THE CAPTAIN'S QUESTION, SO HE ORDERED THE TANKS TO SURROUND THE SCHOOLHOUSE AND WAIT! AND WHEN NIGHT CAME, CAPTAIN STONE WAS STILL ASKING THE SAME QUESTION, BUT NOT OF HIS OFFICERS AND MEN...

THE CAPTAIN SURE HAS A TOUGH DECISION TO MAKE, BUT HE WOULDN'T HAVE TO, IF WHAT I'M THINKING WILL WORK! WILL YOU HELP ME, COMBAT?
SURE! BUT WHATTA YA WANT US TO DO? PUT ON MASKS AN' SCARE THE REDS OUTA THE SCHOOL!

AFTER PENNY EXPLAINED HIS PLAN TO COMBAT, THE TWO DOGGIES WENT BACK TO THE PATCH PENNY HAD BELLY-FLOPPED INTO, AND THEY STARTED DIGGING FOR THE RED VEGETABLES...


I FOUND SIX BIG ONES! THAT'LL BE ENOUGH, HUH, PENNY?
IT SHOULD BE, WITH THE FIVE I'VE GOT! NOW COMES THE HARD PART... WE'VE GOT TO SNEAK INTO THAT SCHOOLHOUSE!

THE REDS MUST BE IN THE OTHER ROOM, BUT THERE ARE DOZENS OF KOREAN KIDS IN HERE! WHY ARE THEY ALL GAGGED?
PROBABLY TO KEEP 'EM QUIET! IT'S A GOOD THING THEY ARE GAGGED! THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO MAKE ANY NOISE WHILE WE WORK ON THEM!

A HALF-HOUR LATER, COMBAT AND PENNY WERE FINISHED WITH THEIR DETAIL...

HOURS LATER, THE BRIGHT RAYS OF DAWN AWAKENED THE COMMIE COLONEL, AND HE OPENED THE DOOR TO THE NEXT ROOM TO CHECK UP ON HIS GAGGED LIFE INSURANCE!

IN THE NAME OF BUDDHA!

HONORABLE COMRADE COLONEL... WHAT IS THE MATTER?

OBSERVE THE URCHINS' FACES! THEY HAVE TURNED **RED!**

IT IS THE **PLAGUE!** IT IS **HONG SSU —THE RED DEATH!** FLEE, BEFORE IT STRIKES US DOWN!

THE COLONEL AND HIS COMMIES CAME FLYING OUT OF THAT SCHOOLHOUSE, AS IF THERE WAS AN EXPLOSION INSIDE...

DEATH BY THE YONKEE GUNS IS MORE MERCIFUL THAN **HONG SSU!**

THERE IS NO MORE HORRIBLE DEATH THAN THE RED DEATH!

THE IRON RING OF TANKS AND 2ND DIVISION INFANTRYMEN OUTSIDE THE SCHOOLHOUSE CLOSED AROUND THE PANICKY COMMIES LIKE A NOOSE...

NO! DO NOT STOP US! THEY HAVE HONG SSU... THE RED DEATH!

WE'RE STAYING, AND SO ARE **YOU** AND YOUR MEN, COLONEL! AND IT'S UP TO YOU, WHETHER YOUR MEN STAY DEAD OR ALIVE!

THE WORRIED, FRANTIC KOREAN MOTHERS RAN INTO THE SCHOOLHOUSE FOR THEIR CHILDREN, BUT WHEN THEY CAME OUT, THEY WERE ALL SMILING...

THANK YOU, CAPTAIN SAN! I WILL CHANGE MY SON'S NAME TO U.S.A. FOR THIS!

OBSERVE! THE PEASANT FOOLS GRIN AND ARE GRATEFUL FOR DEATH! THEIR OFFSPRING ARE PLAGUED! LOOK AT THEIR RED FACES!

RELAX, FATSO! IT'S ONLY BEET JUICE!

HUH? IT IS SO! THE TRAITOROUS RED BEETS! I SHALL NEVER EAT THEM AGAIN!

AND AFTER THE RAVING COLONEL AND HIS MEN WERE TAKEN AWAY, CAPTAIN STONE ORDERED COMBAT AND PENNY TO ABOUT-FACE... THEN HE EXAMINED THEIR BACKS...

I JUST WANTED TO SEE IF YOU TWO HAD ANGELS' WINGS... BECAUSE YOU SURE WERE THE **ANSWER** TO MY PRAYERS!

THE END

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TRUE ACTION- PACKED BATTLE STORIES OF WORLD WAR I, TOLD BY...

COMBAT CASEY

THE SPRINGFIELDS AND THE BAYONETS OF THE U.S. 30TH DIVISION DOUGHBOYS WERE LEADIN' THE ALLIED ASSAULT, AS THEY SLASHED THEIR WAY ACROSS THE BATTLE-FIELDS OF FRANCE ON SEPTEMBER 24, 1918, THRU THE GERMANS' HINDENBURG OUTPOST BARRIERS! THEIR OBJECTIVE WAS THE CITY OF BELLICOURT, IN THE HEART OF THE MAIN HINDENBURG LINE, AND NOBODY BELIEVED IT WAS POSSIBLE TO TAKE IT...NOBODY EXCEPT THE DOUGHBOYS OF... *THE OLD HICKORY DIVISION!*

DO NOT TROUBLE YOURSELF WITH THESE BOCHE SWINE, ALBERT, MY FINE AMERICAN FRIEND! FRANCOIS AND I WILL TAKE CARE OF THEM!

OUI, ALBERT.. JUST LEAVE EVERYTHING TO *US!*

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A COMBAT CASEY SALUTE TO THE "OLD HICKORY DIVISION"

U.S. 30TH DIVISION

YOU HIDE IN THE SHELL HOLE, ALBERT! MY BROTHER FRANCOIS AND I WILL DISPOSE OF THE BOCHE!

HUH? HEY, WHAT'S GOT INTO YOU TWO? WE AMERICANS CAME OVER HERE TO *HELP* YOU FRENCHMEN FIGHT THIS WAR, SO *LET* ME, WILL YA?

THERE IS NO NEED FOR YOU TO FIGHT NOW, MON AMI! THE BOCHE ARE ALL FIN!
OKAY, SO THEY'RE ALL FIN!... BUT HOW COME YOU GUYS DIDN'T LET ME DO SOME OF THE FINISHING? JUST THE WAY WE THREE DID WHEN WE TOOK THE VILLAGE OF VILLERET!
AHH, ALBERT, OUR FRIEND... THAT WAS BEFORE YOU SAVED OUR SISTER JEANNIE FROM THE BOCHE MAJOR IN OUR HOME IN VILLERET!
WHAT HAS THAT GOT TO DO WITH ME NOT FIGHTIN'?
BEAUCOUP ALBERT... AS THIS NOTE TO US FROM JEANNIE WILL EXPLAIN!
AWW... I TOLD HER NOT TO TELL ANYONE ABOUT THAT!
WE KNOW HOW YOU FEEL, BECAUSE SHE HAS TOLD US NOT TO SAY ANYTHING ABOUT THIS NOTE ALSO! THAT IS WHY WE ASKED TO COME WITH YOUR DIVISION AS GUIDES AND INTERPRETERS, SO WE COULD PROTECT YOU FOR OUR JEANNIE!
MON DIEU, MARCEL! THE BOCHE COME AGAIN!
YEAH! LET'S GET OUR RIFLES POPPIN'!
OUI! FRANCOIS AND I WILL DO IT, ALBERT! YOU HIDE IN THE HOLE BEHIND US!
PLEASE UNDERSTAND, ALBERT, MON AMI... WE DO THIS FOR YOUR OWN GOOD!
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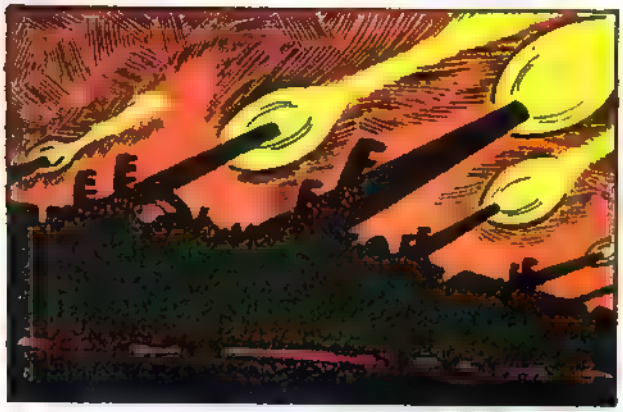
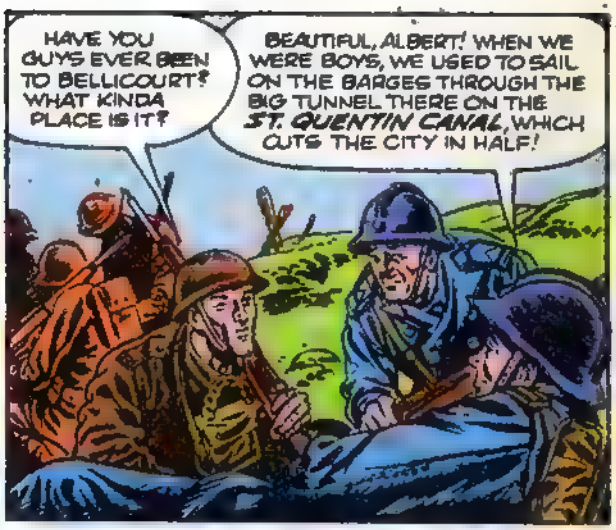
FIVE DAYS LATER, THE *OLD HICKORY DIVISION* HAD SLICED THROUGH THE HINDENBURG OUTPOST LINE, AND WAS PREPARING FOR THE ATTACK ON THE MAIN LINE, WHILE GIANT ALLIED 340-MM ARTILLERY POUNDED BELLICOURT, THE HEART OF THE HINDENBURG DEFENSES!

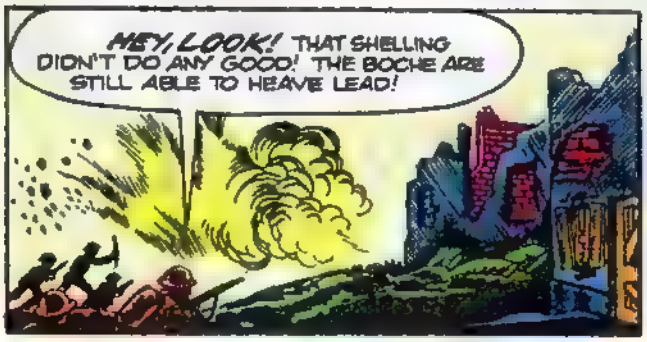


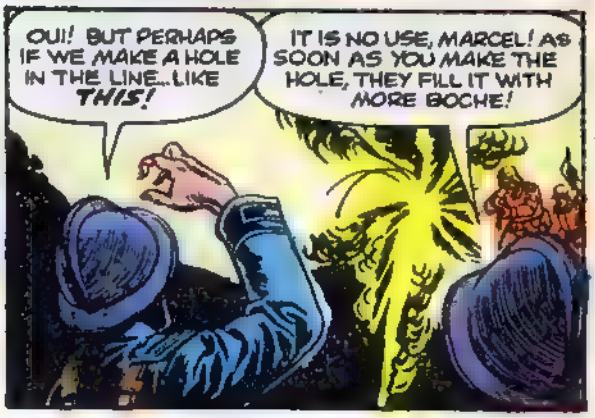

HAVE YOU GUYS EVER BEEN TO BELLICOURT? WHAT KINDA PLACE IS IT?
BEAUTIFUL, ALBERT! WHEN WE WERE BOYS, WE USED TO SAIL ON THE BARGES THROUGH THE BIG TUNNEL THERE ON THE *ST. QUENTIN CANAL*, WHICH CUTS THE CITY IN HALF!

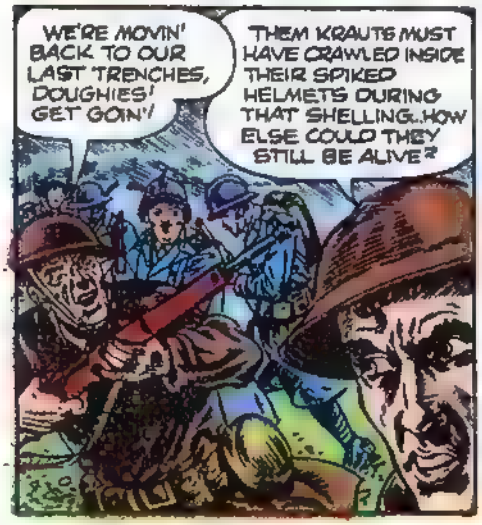
AT DAWN, ON SEPTEMBER 29, 1918, THE AMERICAN ARTILLERY STOPPED ITS BARRAGE, AND THE 30TH DIVISION WAS ORDERED TO..."FIX BAYONETS"!

OVER THE TOP, DOUGHIES!
NEXT STOP.. BELLICOURT!
YEAH, AN' AFTER THAT POUNDIN', THERE AIN'T GONNA BE MANY BOCHE LEFT THERE!
AN' THE ONES THAT *ARE*, WILL BE TOO SHELL-SLAPPY TO FIGHT!

BUT WHEN THE *OLD HICKORY DIVISION* GOT TO THE OUTSKIRTS OF BELLICOURT, THE BOCHE MAUSERS AND MAXIM GUNS PUT UP A BARRAGE OF FIRE AROUND THE CITY..




OUI! BUT PERHAPS IF WE *MAKE A HOLE* IN THE LINE...LIKE *THIS!*
IT IS NO USE, MARCEL! AS SOON AS YOU MAKE THE HOLE, THEY FILL IT WITH MORE BOCHE!


WE'RE MOVIN' BACK TO OUR LAST TRENCHES, DOUGHIES! GET GOIN'!
THEM KRAUTS MUST HAVE CRAWLED INSIDE THEIR SPIKED HELMETS DURING THAT SHELLING..HOW ELSE COULD THEY STILL BE ALIVE?

BY HIDING IN THAT TUNNEL WE TOLD YOU ABOUT, ON THE ST. QUENTIN CANAL IN THE CITY! IT IS OVER 600 YARDS LONG, AND HAS VERY THICK WALLS!
WE GOTTA MAKE SURE! COME ON...WHILE THE OTHERS RETREAT, *WE'RE GONNA ADVANCE...* RIGHT INTO THE MIDDLE OF THE BOCHE BEEHIVE IN BELLICOURT!

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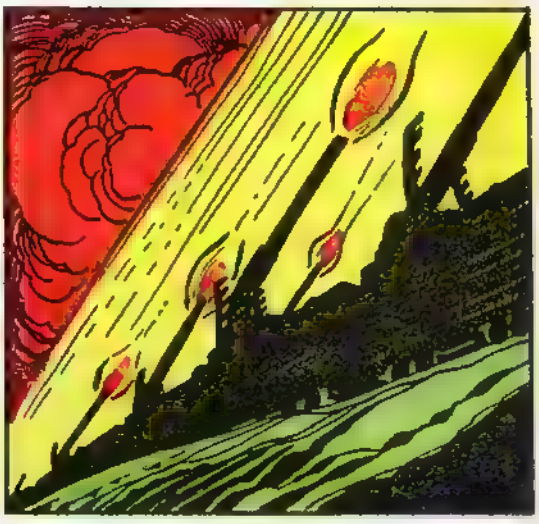
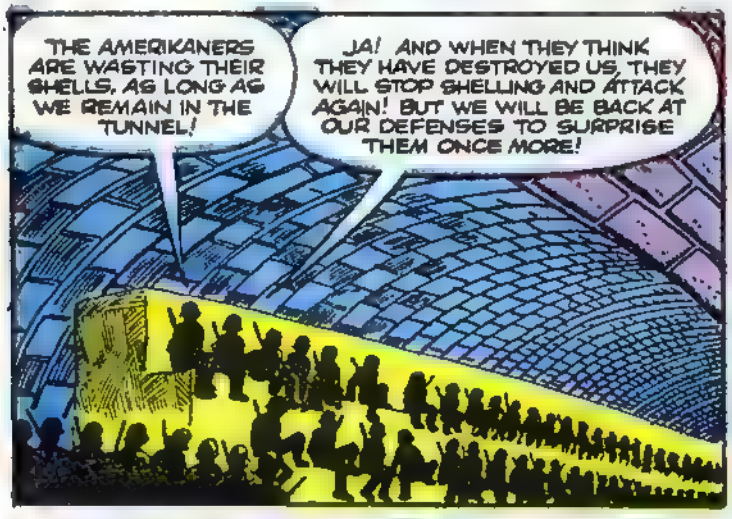
HA! THEY CRAWL BACK TO THEIR HOLES...AND THEY WILL ONCE AGAIN TURN THEIR GREAT ARTILLERY GUNS UPON US!
JA! MEIN OBERST! AND ONCE AGAIN *WE* WILL *NOT* BE HERE! WE WILL TAKE REFUGE IN THE CANAL'S TUNNEL!

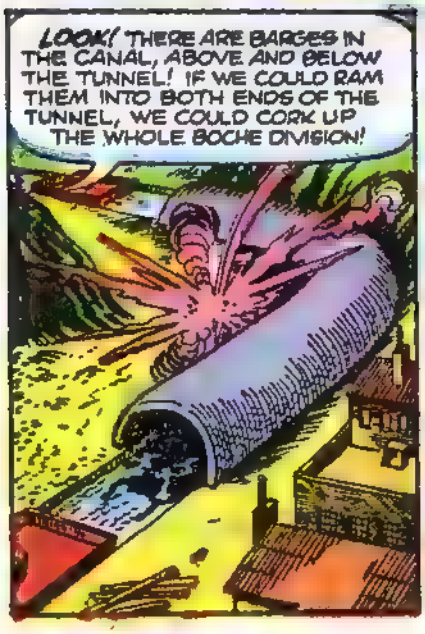
WHEN THE DOUGHBOYS OF THE 30TH DIVISION WERE SAFE IN THEIR OLD TRENCHES, THE ALLIED ARTILLERY BEGAN A BARRAGE THAT MADE THE LAST ONE SOUND LIKE POPCORN POPPING..

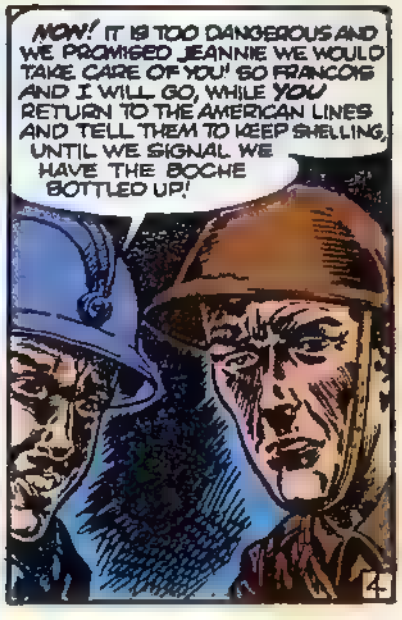


AS SOON AS THE SHELLS BEGAN BURSTING IN THE CITY, THE BOCHE LEFT THEIR DEFENSES, AND THE ENTIRE DIVISION TOOK COVER IN THE LONG TUNNEL OF THE ST. QUENTIN CANAL IN THE HEART OF BELLICOURT...


THE AMERIKANERS ARE WASTING THEIR SHELLS, AS LONG AS WE REMAIN IN THE TUNNEL!
JA! AND WHEN THEY THINK THEY HAVE DESTROYED US, THEY WILL STOP SHELLING AND ATTACK AGAIN! BUT WE WILL BE BACK AT OUR DEFENSES TO SURPRISE THEM ONCE MORE!

SEE, ALBERT.. IT IS AS I'VE SAID...THEY USE THE TUNNEL FOR A BOMB SHELTER!
YEAH! BUT WE CAN TURN THAT WHOLE 3-MILE HOLE INTO A GREAT BIG TRAP FOR THE BOCHE, MARCEL!

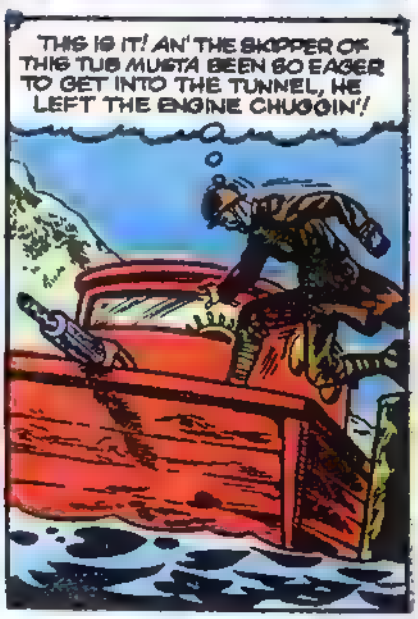

LOOK! THERE ARE BARGES IN THE CANAL, ABOVE AND BELOW THE TUNNEL! IF WE COULD RAM THEM INTO BOTH ENDS OF THE TUNNEL, WE COULD CORK UP THE WHOLE BOCHE DIVISION!

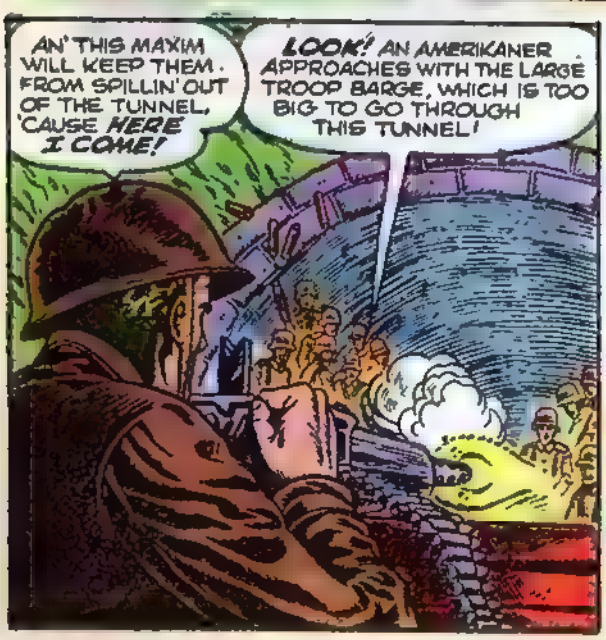

NOW! IT IS TOO DANGEROUS AND WE PROMISED JEANNIE WE WOULD TAKE CARE OF YOU! SO FRANCOIS AND I WILL GO, WHILE *YOU* RETURN TO THE AMERICAN LINES AND TELL THEM TO KEEP SHELLING, UNTIL WE SIGNAL WE HAVE THE BOCHE BOTTLED UP!

BEFORE ALBERT COULD SAY ANYTHING ELSE, HIS TWO FRENCH PALS WERE ZIGZAGGING DOWN THE HILL, THROUGH A FLAMING BURST OF SHELLS, AS THEY RAN IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS TOWARD THE ST. QUENTIN CANAL...

WHILE ALBERT'S MIND WAS SEARCHING FOR THE ANSWER, HIS FEET CARRIED HIM TO FRANCOIS' SIDE!

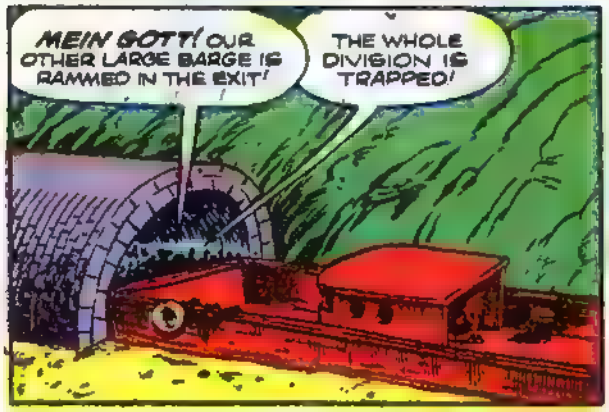
NOW I BETTER GET TO THE CANAL AN' GET THE BARGE THAT FRANCOIS WAS SUPPOSED TO STUFF INTO THE TUNNEL! IF I DON'T, MARCEL'S CORK-UP JOB ON THE OTHER END OF THE TUNNEL WILL BE USELESS!



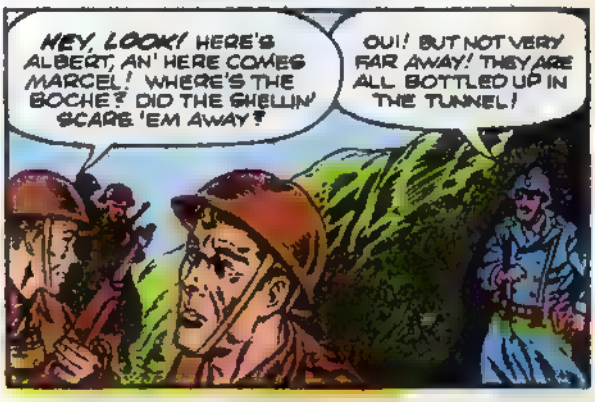

AN' THIS MAXIM WILL KEEP THEM FROM SPILLIN' OUT OF THE TUNNEL, 'CAUSE HERE I COME!
LOOK! AN AMERIKANER APPROACHES WITH THE LARGE TROOP BARGE, WHICH IS TOO BIG TO GO THROUGH THIS TUNNEL!

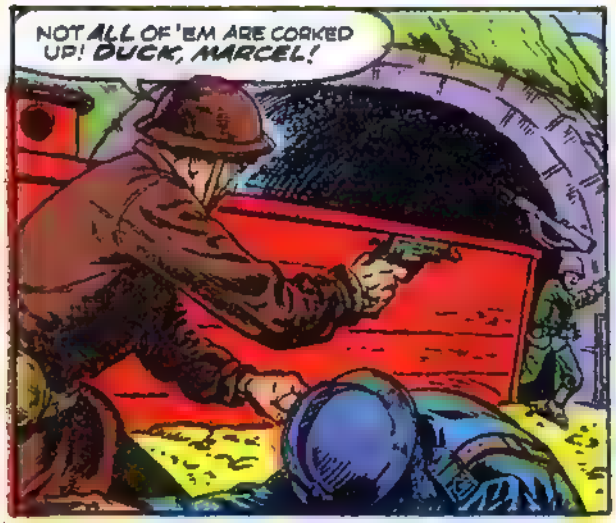
THE AMERIKANER HAS SEALED UP THE TUNNEL WITH THE BARGE!
JA! BUT HE IS A DUMMKOPF! HE DOES NOT KNOW A TUNNEL HAS TWO HOLES! COME! THE SHELLING HAS STOPPED, SO WE GO OUT THE OTHER WAY AND GET TO OUR DEFENSES BEFORE THE AMERIKANER ATTACK!

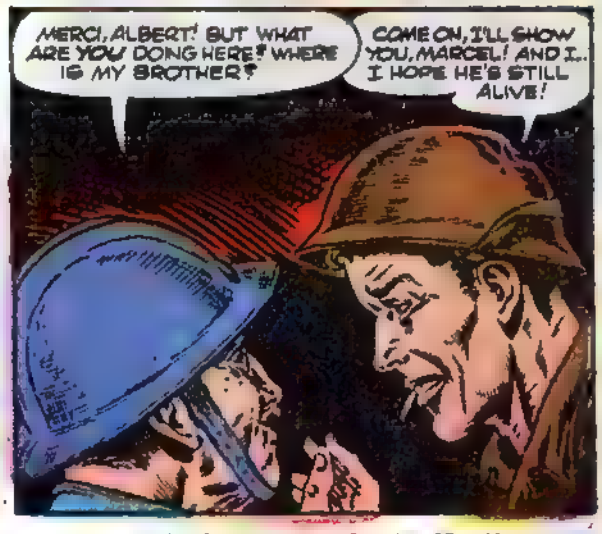
BUT THEY STOPPED SHORT WHEN THEY REACHED THE OTHER SIDE, AND FOUND IT WAS ALSO A DEAD END...



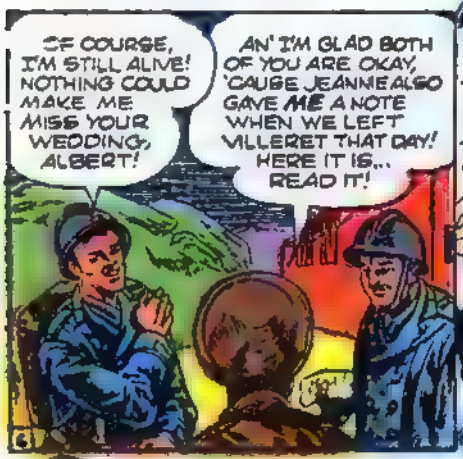
JUST ABOUT THAT TIME, THE *OLD HICKORY DIVISION* CAME CHARGING INTO BELLICOURT, WITH THEIR BAYONETS PEEKING FOR BOCHE...

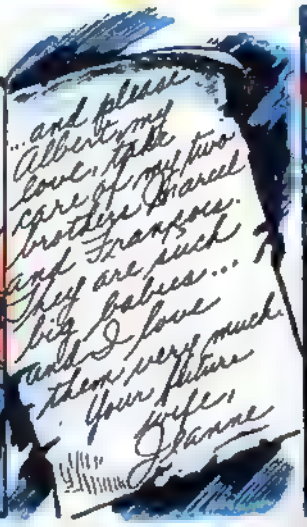

HEY, LOOK! HERE'S ALBERT, AN' HERE COMES MARCEL! WHERE'S THE BOCHE? DID THE SHELLIN' SCARE 'EM AWAY?
OUI! BUT NOT VERY FAR AWAY! THEY ARE ALL BOTTLED UP IN THE TUNNEL!

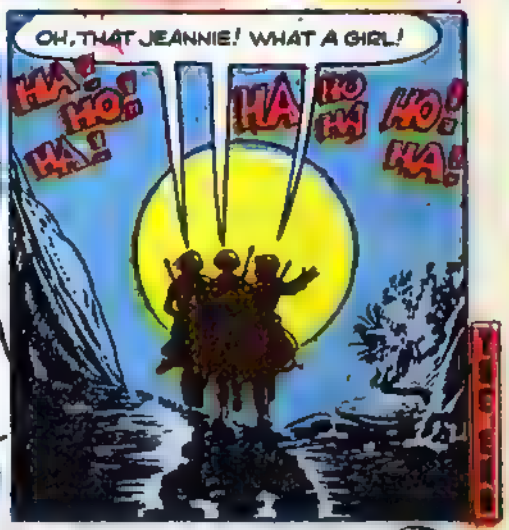




TEN MINUTES LATER, THE THREE PALS WERE ON THEIR WAY TO THE HOSPITAL IN BELLICOURT...


OF COURSE, I'M STILL ALIVE! NOTHING COULD MAKE ME MISS YOUR WEDDING, ALBERT!
AN' I'M GLAD BOTH OF YOU ARE OKAY, 'CAUSE JEANNE ALSO GAVE ME A NOTE WHEN WE LEFT VILLERET THAT DAY! HERE IT IS... READ IT!


...and please Albert, my love, take care of my two brothers, Marcel and Francois. They are such big babies... and I love them very much. Your future wife, Jeanne



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TO CATCH A SPY

INTELLIGENCE Officer Kent Taunton whirled down the main street of Fushun, Korea in his jeep.

He hoped he wasn't too late.

One hand on the wheel as he hurled the sturdy jeep round crowded corners toward the big factory and military warehouse area toward the port, he felt, with the other for the dispatches in his battle jacket.

In any case, he knew, the spy who had been sending details of arms shipments arriving in Fushun was known. So much had come in that very morning in secret dispatches from guerilla hands far to the north. To arrest him would be easy. But it had also been told to U.N. headquarters by pro-U.N. Koreans that the spy had orders to blow up Munition Dump 4 that very morning. Keeping him under surveillance would be easy, too. The point was to uncover the means by which he had planned to blow up the depot. To arrest him without finding that out would be to leave possible charges of explosive buried here and there to be utilized by the next agent the commies sent in.

With a scream the jeep turned the last corner. The flag flying on the front right bumper worked wonders. The great gates of Dump 4 flew open, sentries saluted and the jeep rolled up swiftly toward the main administration building.

Taunton stopped the vehicle, leaped out and ran up the steps. Again sentries saluted.

Colonel Henschall met him at the door. His face was lined and worried.

"You're sure . . . ?" he began. "When I got your phone call I couldn't believe it."

They hurried down a corridor toward the Colonel's office.

"We're sure," Taunton said. "It all ties in, doesn't it?"

On the Colonel's desk was the dossier of the spy.

Henschall opened it.

"I've been going through this as fast as I could." He looked up at Taunton. "And you're right. It all ties in. But . . ." He hesitated, frowned. "The Republic of Korea army recommended him. Kum Jak came with the highest recommendations. He seemed a loyal South Korea . . .!"

"He's a spy for the communist forces," Taunton said grimly. "It doesn't matter what a man looks like from outside that's important. It's what goes on inside of his head. Kum Jak probably built up his reputation for just such an opportunity. You know what would happen to our supply and logistics if Dump 4 went up. It's the biggest we have." Taunton shuddered. "We'd be forced back on every front for lack of ammunition."

"I wonder how he planned doing it?" Henschall mused.

"We'll soon find out," Taunton said. "Come on, let's get to his department. The information we received for our guerillas said he planned to blow the works sky-high at noon. It's almost noon."

The Colonel leading the way, they went out of the building, crossed to the main ammunition dump where Lieutenant Kum Jak of the Republic of Korea forces worked as a head of one of the munition checking departments.

Taunton noted the many signs pasted all over the walls, warning against smoking, unnecessary jars to the walls, careless handling of explosives.

The two men swung into the building, rapidly crossed to a corridor marked "N".

They saw a figure emerge from an office.

"Kum Jak!" Henschall whispered hoarsely. Both men flattened themselves against the wall, tried to melt into shadows.

They watched the spy glance cautiously about, then at his watch. Swiftly, padding down the further end of the corridor, Kum Jak proceeded toward the opposite part of the building.

Henschall's face creased in puzzlement.

"He's going away from the main entrances to the ammo dump," he whispered to Taunton.

Both men moved forward to tail the spy.

"I can't figure it," Taunton said. "Of course an explosion practically anywhere might send

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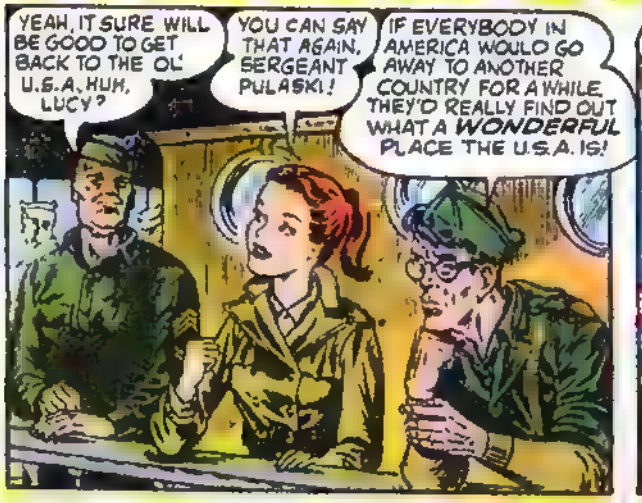
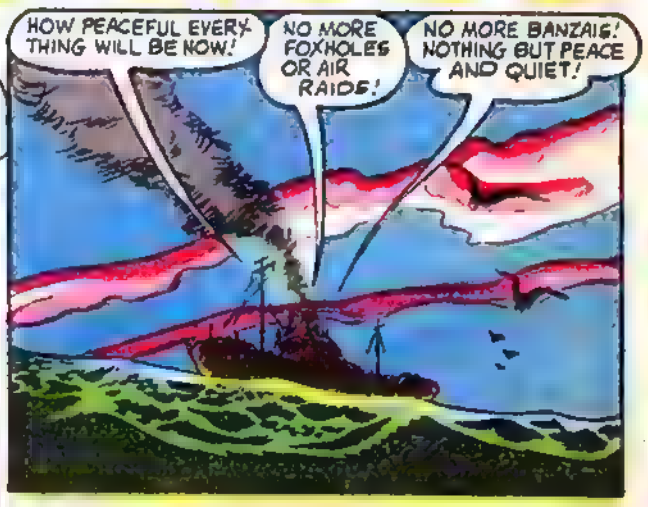
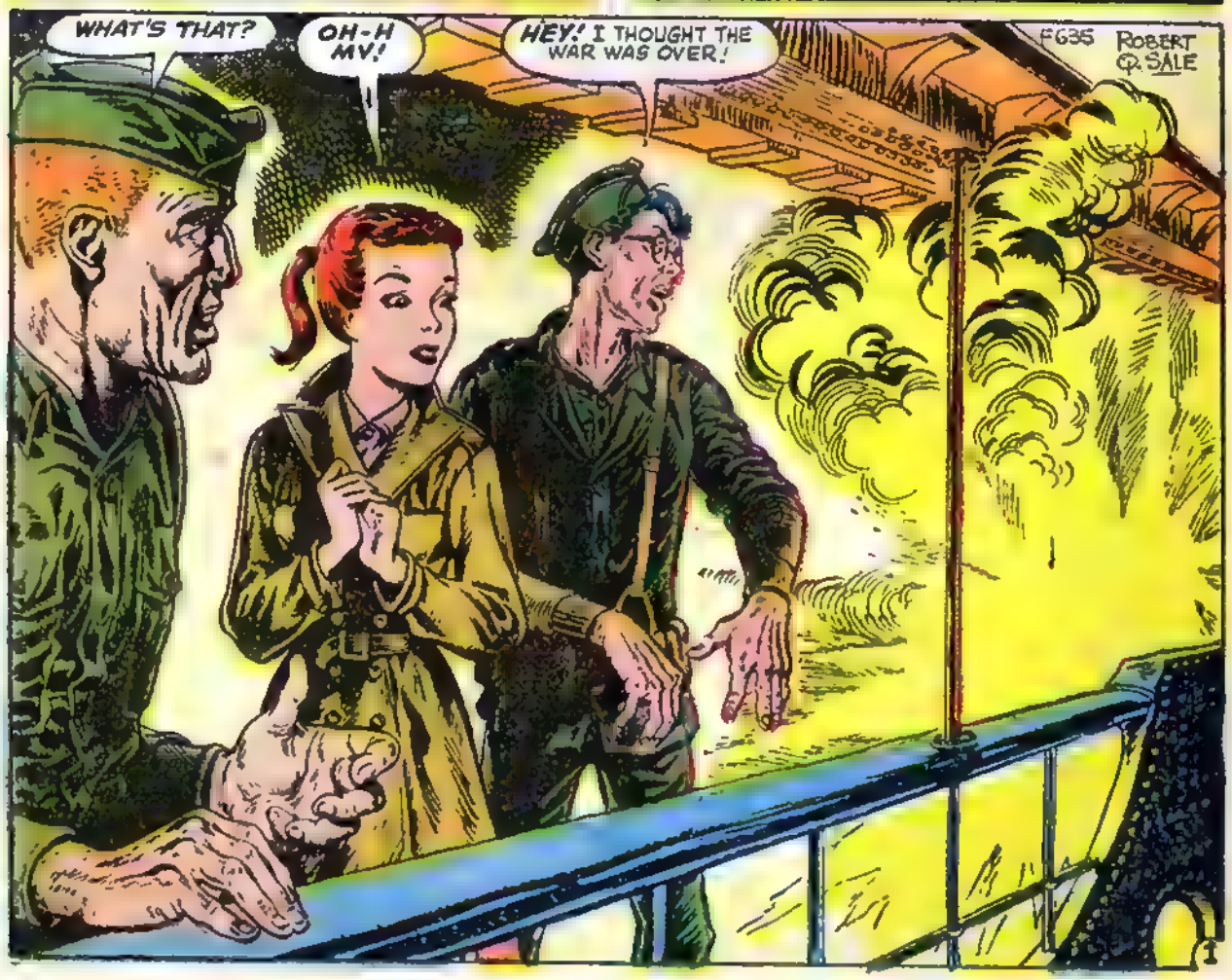
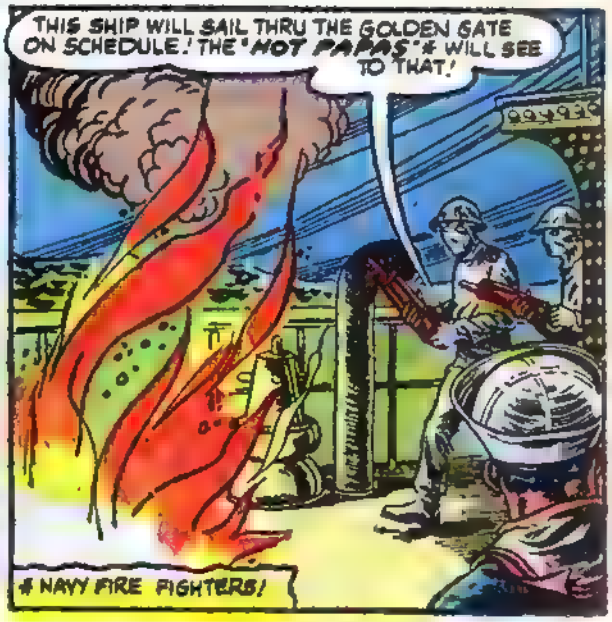

YEAH, IT SURE WILL BE GOOD TO GET BACK TO THE OL' U.S.A., HUH, LUCY?
YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN, SERGEANT PULASKI!
IF EVERYBODY IN AMERICA WOULD GO AWAY TO ANOTHER COUNTRY FOR A WHILE, THEY'D REALLY FIND OUT WHAT A WONDERFUL PLACE THE U.S.A. IS!







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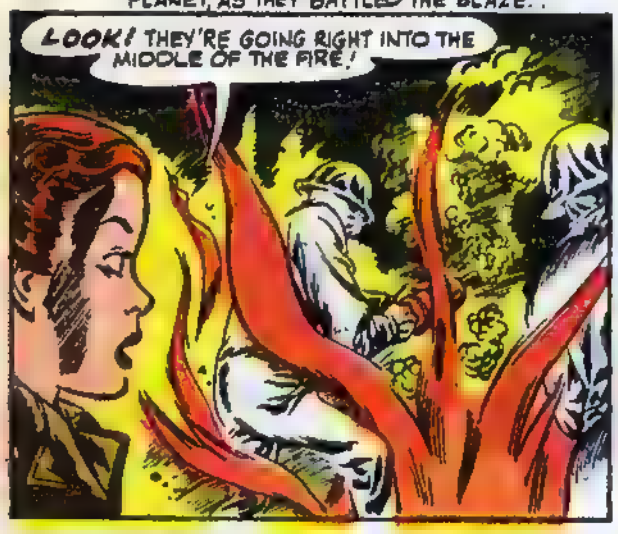
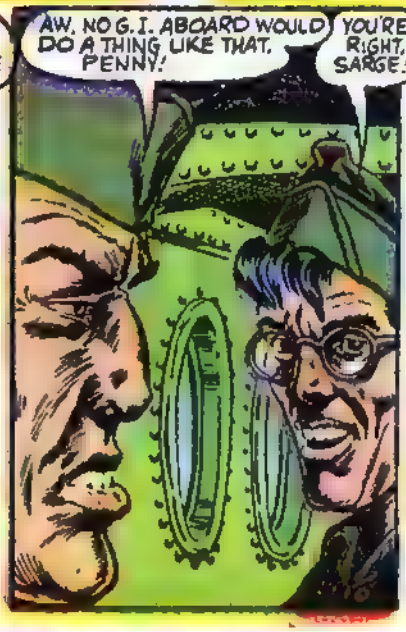
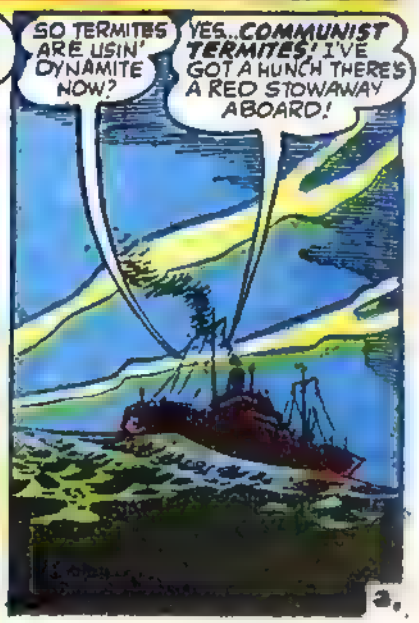
TWENTY MINUTES LATER, THE FIRE WAS OUT, AND THE TROOPSHIP CARRYING KOREAN WAR VETERANS WAS STILL ON ITS COURSE FOR SAN FRANCISCO, U.S.A....



GEE, PENNY, DID YOU HEAR WHAT DAD SAID?
YES, LUCY! AND THAT MEANS THAT WHOEVER TRIED TO DESTROY THE SHIP FAILED...AND IS SURE TO TRY AGAIN!





THEN WE GOTTA FIND THE COMMIE! 'CAUSE LIKE YOU SAID, PENNY... HE MAY TRY TO SINK THE SHIP AGAIN!
WE'RE DUE IN SAN FRANCISCO IN THE MORNING, SO HE MAY TRY IT TONIGHT, WHEN NO ONE'S ON DECK! BUT YOU'LL BE HERE, SARGE!
HUH!
AND I'LL BE ON TOP OF THAT SMOKESTACK, USING IT AS AN OBSERVATION POST LIKE WE DID IN THE HILLS OF KOREA! WHEN I SEE ANY SUSPICIOUS CHARACTERS, I'LL SPOT THEM FOR YOU WITH A FLASHLIGHT!
THIS IS EXCITING! I WANT TO GO UP THERE WITH YOU, PENNY!
ALL RIGHT, LUCY, BUT DON'T SAY ANYTHING TO YOUR FATHER ABOUT THIS!
AFTER DARK, PENNY AND LUCY CLIMBED UP THE SMOKESTACK'S LADDER, ARMED WITH A FLASHLIGHT AND LUCY'S FATHER'S BINOCULARS...
AND SERGEANT PULASKI HID IN THE BLACK SHADOWS ON DECK, ARMED WITH HIS TWO POWERFUL FISTS...
A FEW MINUTES PAST MIDNIGHT, PENNY'S ROVING BINOCULARS FOCUSED SHARPLY ON SOMETHING SUSPICIOUS...
SOMEBODY'S GETTING OUT OF ONE OF THOSE CANVAS-COVERED LIFEBOATS DOWN THERE!
HE'S PULLING UP SOMETHING THAT'S DANGLING ON A ROPE FROM THE SIDE OF THE SHIP!
GREAT GUNS! IT'S DYNAMITE!
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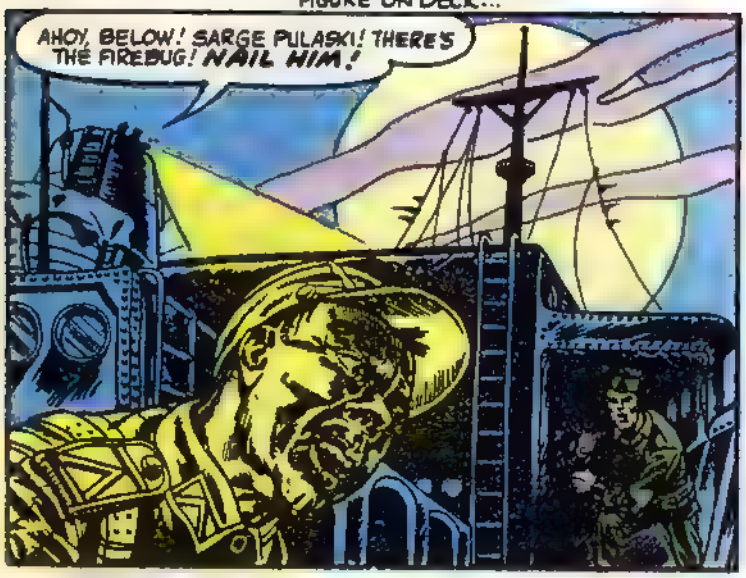
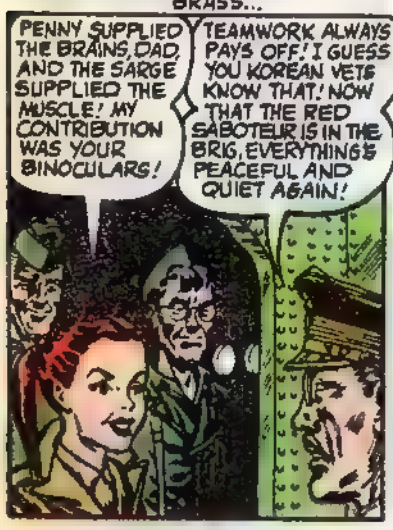
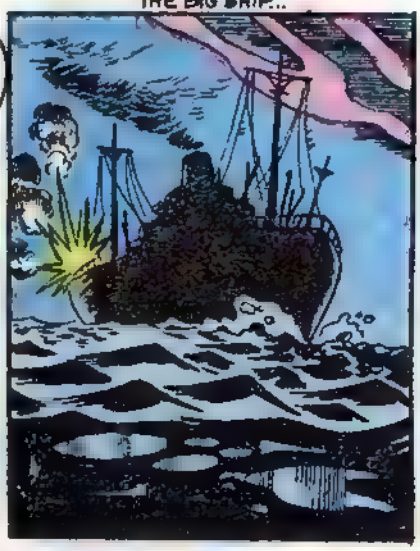
PENNY TOOK THE POWERFUL FLASHLIGHT AND AIMED IT AT THE FIGURE ON DECK...



AND A SHORT TIME LATER, PENNY AND THE SARGE WERE BEING CONGRATULATED BY THE ARMY BIG BRASS...

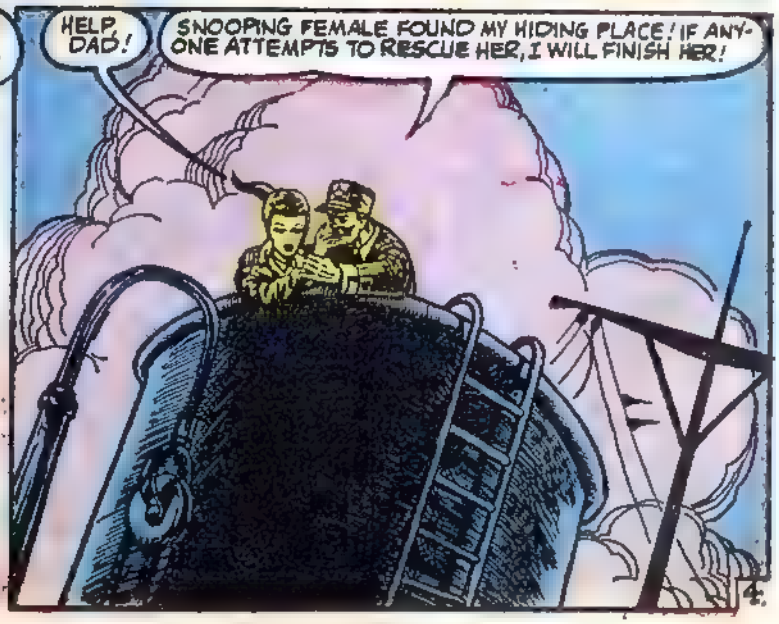

PENNY SUPPLIED THE BRAINS, DAD, AND THE SARGE SUPPLIED THE MUSCLE! MY CONTRIBUTION WAS YOUR BINOCULARS!
TEAMWORK ALWAYS PAYS OFF! I GUESS YOU KOREAN VETS KNOW THAT! NOW THAT THE RED SABOTEUR IS IN THE BRIG, EVERYTHING'S PEACEFUL AND QUIET AGAIN!

A SUDDEN ROAR AND FLASH DROWNED OUT THE OFFICER'S WORDS AND ROCKED THE BIG SHIP...



AND ONCE AGAIN THE NAVY'S *HOT PAPAS* WENT INTO ACTION...

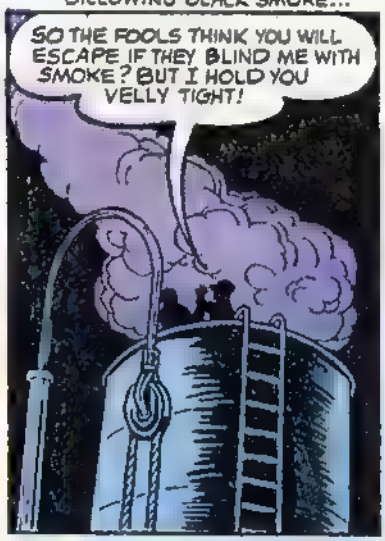
THEY'LL GET THE FIRE UNDER CONTROL, BUT WITH THAT RED IN THE BRIG, HOW DID THIS HAPPEN?
THERE MUST BE ANOTHER RED STOWAWAY ABOARD, SIR!



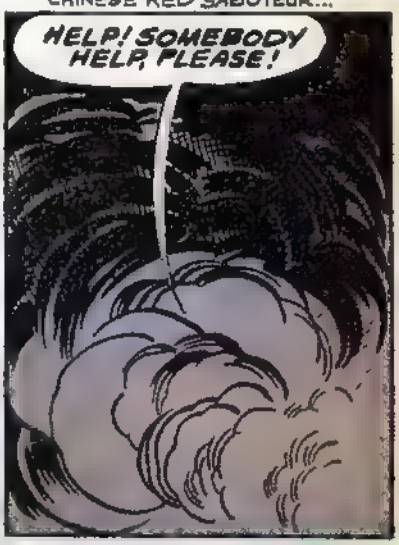
WHILE THE COMMIE YELLED HIS THREATS DOWN ON THE DOGGIES AND THE GOBS, PENNY STOLE AWAY TO THE BOILER ROOM...

SURE, SOLDIER! I CAN SEND ALL THE SMOKE YOU WANT UP THRU THAT STACK WHERE THE RED'S GOT THE GAL! WHEN DO YOU WANT IT SENT UP?
RIGHT NOW, MATE!

BY THE TIME PENNY CAME OUT OF THE BOILER ROOM, THE GIANT STACK WAS ALREADY BOILING WITH BILLOWING BLACK SMOKE...

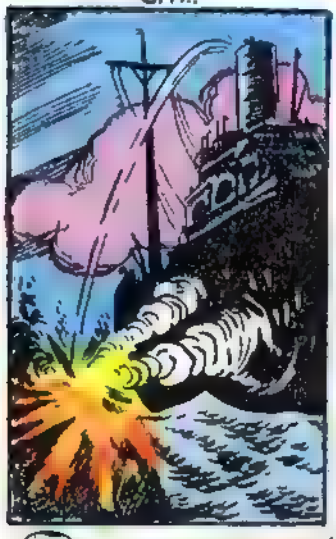


THE BLACK FOG GOT THICKER, AND A FEW MINUTES LATER, IT COMPLETELY SWALLOWED UP LUCY AND THE CHINESE RED SABOTEUR...



SUDDENLY, THE STACK STOPPED SMOKING, AND AS THE BREEZE BLEW AWAY THE BLACKNESS, THE RED WAS STILL HOLDING ON TIGHT...

A SECOND AFTER THE RED SPLASHED INTO THE WATER, THE DYNAMITE STICK WENT OFF...



BUT THAT WAS AN EXPLOSION OF CHEERS, AS THE VETERAN DOGGIES OF THE KOREAN WAR ABOARD THE SHIP SAW SAN FRANCISCO'S GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, AND PENNY AND LUCY JOINED IN SHOUTING...

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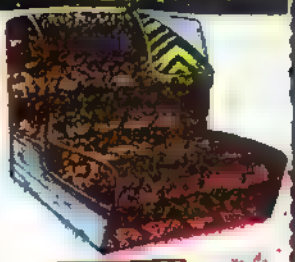

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the whole place to flinders, but . . ."

Kum Jak hurried through a large doorway.

"We can't risk losing him," Henschall muttered.

Both men increased their speed.

"Perhaps if we'd brought men with us . . ."

"We'd have scared him off," Taunton observed. "Look—he's dodging."

Ahead of them they saw Kum Jak pause, glance back.

"He's seen us!" Taunton said anxiously.

The spy broke into a run.

Henschall and Taunton hurled themselves forward, the Colonel drawing his gun.

"Put that back!" Taunton ordered. He indicated the piled masses of high explosive, shells and boxes of small-arms ammo that lay about.

They came out into the open.

Crack!

A bullet whizzed past the Colonel's head, flattened itself on a concrete abutment.

They saw Kum Jak sink to his knees, aim carefully. Again the gun jerked.

Taunton staggered.

"Got me in the shoulder," he said, faltering, but going on. "I'll call help!"

"Don't!" Taunton said. "The more people around him, the more shooting. We can't afford it. Look—he's running into that big shed!"

Henschall glanced up.

"That shed's atop a basement where about 1,000 500 lb. bombs are stored. But the ceiling's thick concrete. No explosive he could plant would get through it!"

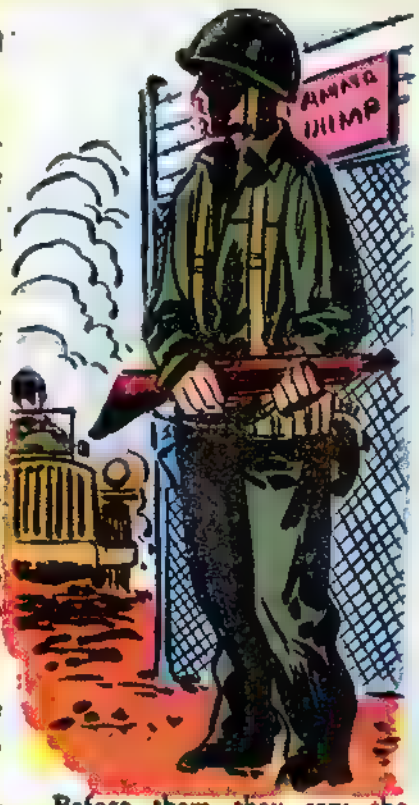
"What's stored in the shed?" Taunton asked as they ran. Then his eyes answered his question. He saw the sign reading: *High Octane Gasoline.* Abruptly his blood curdled.

"He won't need explosive," Taunton grated. "All he needs is fire, and he can get that from gasoline. Unless . . ."

Both men hurtled through the open doors of the big shed.

Henschall halted, flinging out a hand.

Taunton gasped.



Before them they saw the grinning spy, gun in hand, holding aloft a torch made of rolled newspapers. It flared smokily at one end. Kum Jak moved toward one of several hundred pressure-topped barrels of gasoline, each with its release handle.

"Do not move an inch!" he cried exultantly. "I myself shall die along with you when Dump 4 explodes, but mine will be a glorious death!" His eyes flamed with fanaticism.

"He's going to plunge that torch in the fuel!" Henschall gasped. He glanced at Taunton. The Intelligence officer stared fixedly at Kum Jak; then he glanced upward at the open roof and smiled faintly.

"Let him," he said grimly.

"Let him?" Henschall began. "But . . .!" Then he stiffened, froze.

With one convulsive movement, swift as a snake, Kum Jak pressed down the lever of the pressure-lid of the barrel, thrust the flaring torch in as it sprang open. Henschall closed his eyes.

Then he heard Taunton laugh. When he opened them his eyes went wide. He saw the spy, his arms flung round the barrel. The torch was out.

"Huh?" Henschall began numbly. "What the . . ." He paused. "The swine will escape!"

Taunton leaped, just as Kum Jak flung himself away from the barrel. The Intelligence officer's arms connected round the spy's legs. Kum Jak went down backward, out cold as his head hit the ground. Then with a swift, sure movement, Taunton reclosed the pressure lid of the barrel.

"It didn't explode," Henschall said wondering, as they dragged the captured spy outside.

"Of course it didn't," Taunton. "I knew it wouldn't the minute I saw the hurry he was in to thrust that torch in. Gasoline won't burn by itself. It needs a lot of air to form an explosive mixture. But Kum Jak forgot that in his hurry. When he put the torch in right after he opened the top of the barrel, the gasoline put the flame out just like water!"

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SLAM INTO COMBAT ON THE SIDE OF...

COMBAT CASEY

ON MARCH 25, 1943, GENERAL GEORGE PATTON RECEIVED A DIRECTIVE IN TUNISIA FROM THE 18TH ARMY GROUP COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, ORDERING PATTON'S TANKS TO DRIVE A SPEARHEAD EAST DOWN THE ROAD THROUGH THE NAZI-INFESTED MOUNTAINS OF EL GUETTAR AND THEN TOWARD THE ENEMY-HELD CITY OF GABES, TO CUT OFF THE ESCAPE OF ROMMEL'S AFRIKA CORPS FLEEING NORTH TOWARD BIZERTE! BUT BEFORE PATTON'S TANKS COULD START, THE RIDGES OF BOTH SIDES OF THE MOUNTAIN PASSES HAD TO BE CLEARED! THE U.S. 1ST DIVISION WAS GIVEN THE HILLS ON THE LEFT FLANK, AND THE 9TH DIVISION THE HILLS ON THE RIGHT FLANK, AND THEN BOTH WERE GIVEN THE ORDER...

"GO GET THE ENEMY!"

WE GOT TO THE RIDGE JUST IN TIME TO KEEP THE NAZIS FROM PLANTING THEIR MINES ALL OVER IT!
YEAH, PENNY... AN' NOW WE'LL PLANT THEM INSTEAD!
A COMBAT CASEY SALUTE TO...
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HEY, LOOK! THEY'VE GOT THE SAME PLANS FOR US, COMBAT!
THE HITLER HEELS ARE ROLLIN' THEIR TELLER MINES DOWN THE RIDGE TO STOP OUR ADVANCE!
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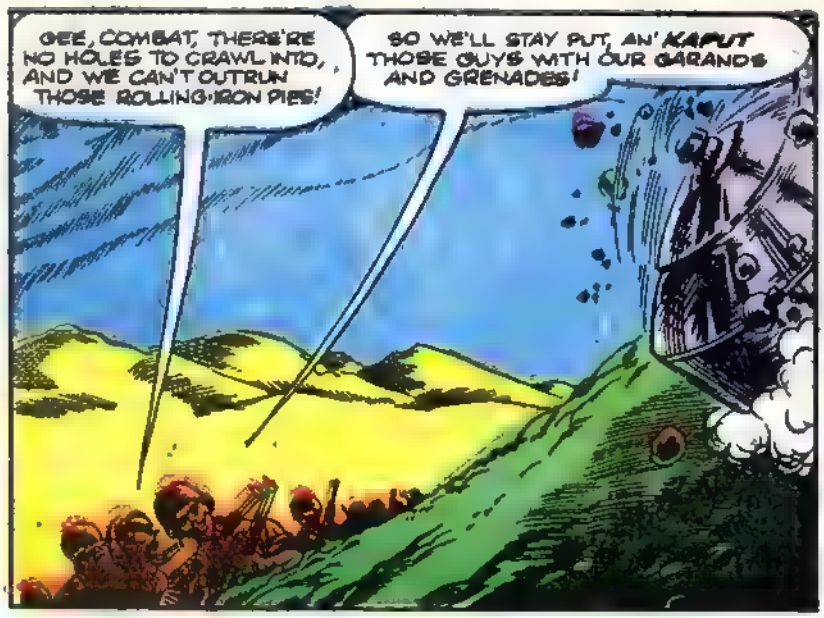
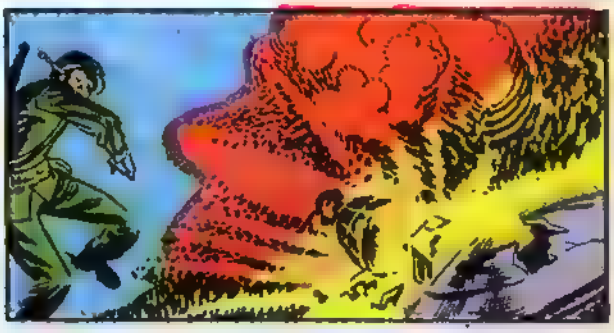

GEE, COMBAT, THERE'RE NO HOLES TO CRAWL INTO, AND WE CAN'T OUTRUN THOSE ROLLING-IRON PIES!
SO WE'LL STAY PUT, AN' KAPUT THOSE GUYS WITH OUR GARANDS AND GRENADES!

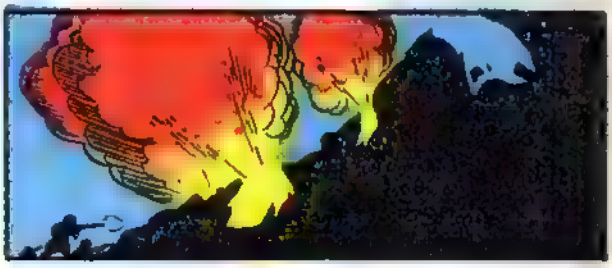
PASS THE WORD DOWN THE LINE TO SWITCH FIRE FROM THE NAZIS TO THE GALLOPIN' MINES, AN' SHARPSHOOTERS ONLY NEED APPLY FOR THE JOB!

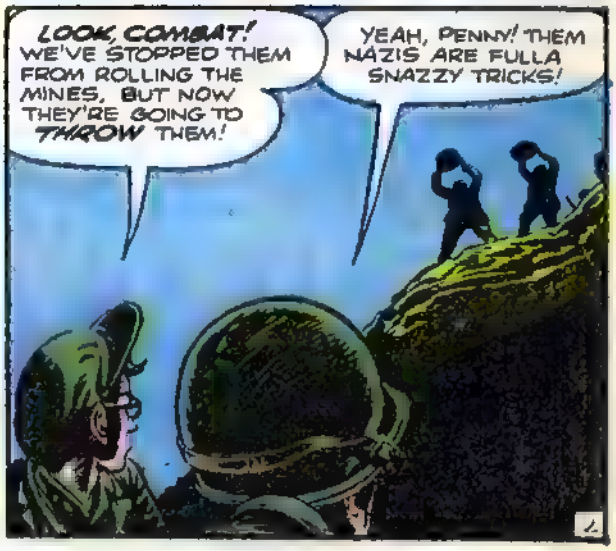
AND THAT MEANT EVERY DOGGIE IN THE 9TH DIVISION! THE INFANTRYMEN TOOK CAREFUL AIM, AS THE DISKS CAME ROLLING DOWN THE STEEP SLOPE, AND WHEN THEY FIRED, THE ENTIRE RIDGE BROKE OUT WITH AN UGLY RASH OF EXPLOSIONS!

OTHER DOGGIES PITCHED GRENADES AT THE MINES..



AND THE COMBINED EPLOSIONS DUG ENORMOUS FOXHOLES IN THE SIDE OF THE RIDGE..



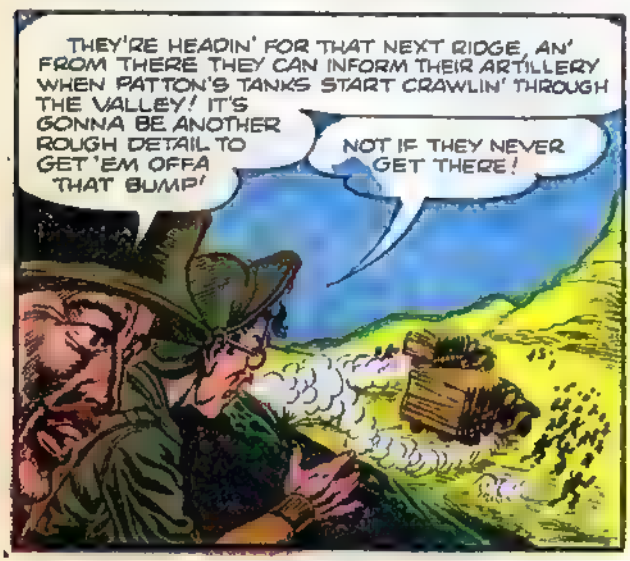

LOOK, COMBAT! WE'VE STOPPED THEM FROM ROLLING THE MINES, BUT NOW THEY'RE GOING TO THROW THEM!
YEAH, PENNY! THEM NAZIS ARE FULLA SNAZZY TRICKS!

A SPLIT-SECOND LATER, STEEL SLAMMED AGAINST PIG IRON...

YOW-E-E-E! THE REST OF THEM ARE RUNNING! THE NAZIS ARE GIVING UP THE RIDGE!
BUT WE'RE NOT GIVIN' UP THE NAZIS! LET'S SCRAMBLE AFTER 'EM!

THAT WAS THE SIGNAL FOR ANOTHER AVALANCHE TO START...AN OLIVE-GREEN AVALANCHE THAT SWEPT UP THE HILL...

BUT WHEN THE 9TH DIVISION REACHED THE TOP, ALL THEY SAW WAS THE BACKS OF THE RETREATING NAZIS, AS THEY SWARMED DOWN THE OTHER SIDE OF THE HILL...

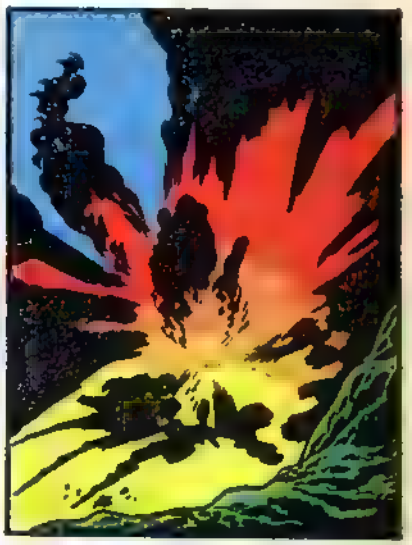

THEY'RE HEADIN' FOR THAT NEXT RIDGE, AN' FROM THERE THEY CAN INFORM THEIR ARTILLERY WHEN PATTON'S TANKS START CRAWLIN' THROUGH THE VALLEY! IT'S GONNA BE ANOTHER ROUGH DETAIL TO GET 'EM OFFA THAT BUMP!
NOT IF THEY NEVER GET THERE!

GRAB A FISTFUL OF THE TELLER MINES THE NAZIS LEFT BEHIND, AND LET'S PLAY THE SAME GAME THEY PLAYED WITH US!
YOU HEARD 'IM, DOGGIES! SICK THE STEEL FLAPJACKS AT THE GALLOPIN' NAZIS... LIKE THIS!

THE 9TH DIVISION DOGGIES CAUGHT ON FAST AND ROLLED OUT THE BOOM-PIEG THE SAME WAY...

AND THOUGH IT IS SAID THAT ROLLING STONES GATHER NO MOSS..

...THE INFANTRYMEN OF THE 9TH DIVISION PROVED THAT TELLER MINES SURE COULD SCATTER NAZIS!



WE DION'T GET THEM ALL, BUT WE SURE CUT DOWN THE ODDS!

YEAH, BUT EVEN ONE NAZI ON THAT LAST RIDGE WOULD BE A MONKEY WRENCH IN THE WORKS! WE CAN'T GIVE PATTON'S TANKS THE ALL-CLEAR SIGN TO COME THROUGH THE PASS, UNTIL WE KICK THE NAZIS OFF THE HIGH GROUND SO THEY CAN'T OBSERVE THE TANKS' MOVEMENTS AN' RELAY THE INFO TO THEIR ARTILLERY!

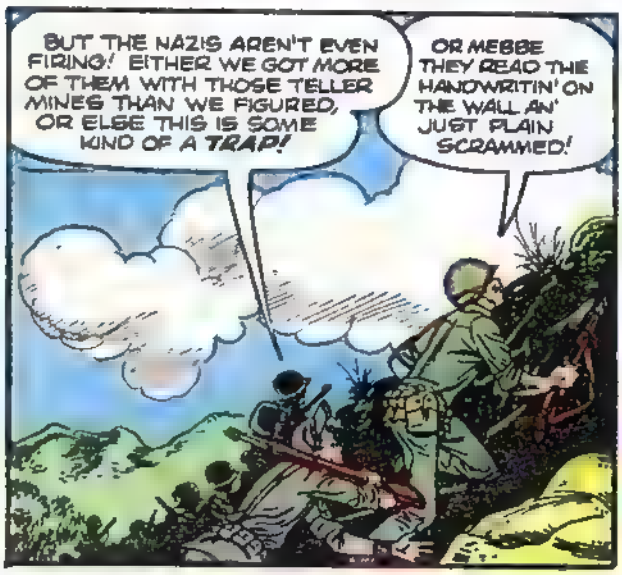
THE DOGGIES SPENT THE NIGHT ON THEIR HILL TOP OVERLOOKING THE NAZI HIGH SPOT! AND WHEN DAWN BROKE LOOSE, SO DID THE DOGGIES...

LET'S GO, QUEENIES! THAT'S THE LAST RIDGE! THEN PATTON'S TANKS CAN COME THROUGH THE PASS AND MEET UP WITH THE BRITISH DESERT ARMY TO PUT UP A PIG-IRON FENCE AN' TRAP EVERY NAZI LEFT IN TUNISIA!

DOWN THE SLOPE, AND UP THE NAZIS' HILL WENT THE 9TH DIVISION, READY FOR A RUGGED BATTLE...

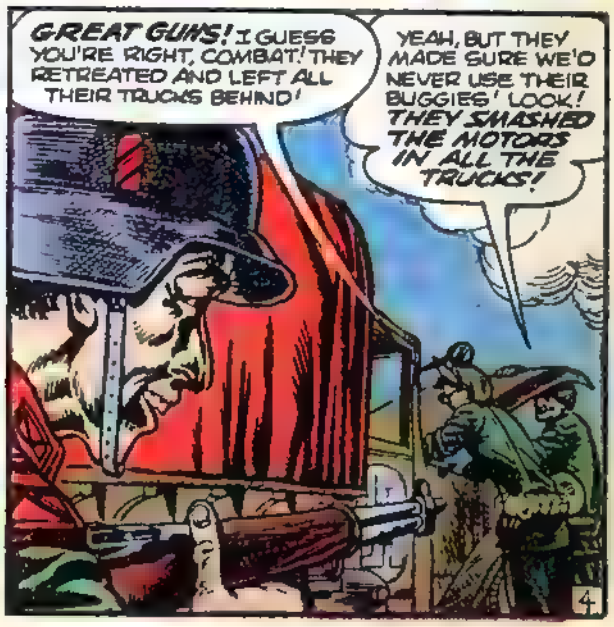
BUT THE NAZIS AREN'T EVEN FIRING! EITHER WE GOT MORE OF THEM WITH THOSE TELLER MINES THAN WE FIGURED, OR ELSE THIS IS SOME KIND OF A TRAP!

OR MEBBE THEY READ THE HANDWRITIN' ON THE WALL AN' JUST PLAIN SCRAMMED!

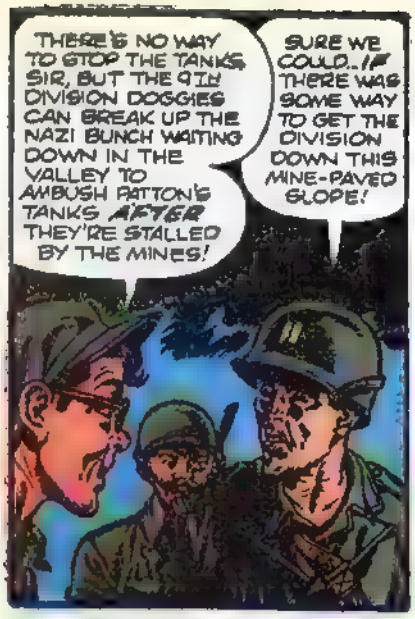


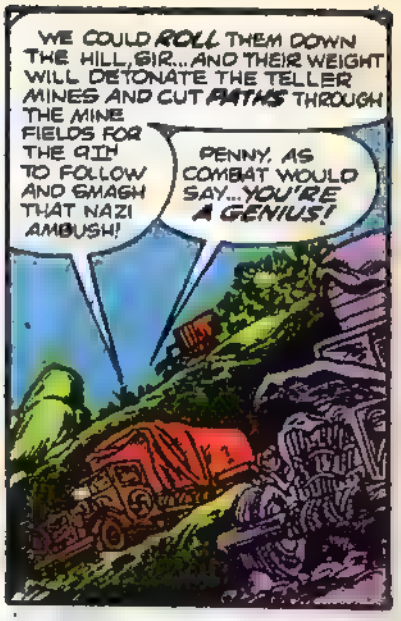
GREAT GUNS! I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT, COMBAT! THEY RETREATED AND LEFT ALL THEIR TRUCKS BEHIND!

YEAH, BUT THEY MADE SURE WE'D NEVER USE THEIR BUGGIES! LOOK! THEY SMASHED THE MOTORS IN ALL THE TRUCKS!



PENNY GASPED AT THE SIGHT HE SAW, BUT HE WASN'T LOOKING AT THE SMASHED MOTOR...
QUICK, COMBAT! GIVE ME A PIECE OF THAT SMASHED MOTOR! A HEAVY PIECE!
NOW JUST WATCH THIS, COMBAT!
NICE WORK, PENNY! YA KLUNKED HIM COLD!
AND LOOK, THERE'S THE SIGNAL FROM THE 1ST DIVISION ON THE RIDGE ACROSS THE PASS!
NOW PATTON'S TANKS CAN ROLL THROUGH THE PASS INTO THE VALLEY! CAP'N STONE IS ALREADY SENDING THE OKAY!
CAPTAIN STONE, ABLE COMPANY.. 9TH DIVISION! BOTH SIDES OF EL GUETTAR CLEARED! BRING YOUR TANKS THROUGH! OVER AND OUT!
JA! IT WILL ALL BE OVER, AFTER I TAKE YOUR WALKIE-TALKIE FOR A WALK!
HEY! WHAT THE...
STOP HIM! HE'S GETTING AWAY DOWN THE HILL WITH MY WALKIE-TALKIE!
I'LL NAIL HIM, CAP'N!
COMBAT HUNG THE FLEEING NAZI ON HIS GARAND'S SIGHTS, BUT BEFORE HE COULD PULL THE TRIGGER...
HE MUSTA STEPPED ON A MINE!
YEAH, AND NOW WE KNOW WHY THEY GAVE US THIS HILL! IT'S SALTED WITH MINES TO STALL US, AND THAT VALLEY BELOW IS PROBABLY THE SAME WAY...TO STALL PATTON'S TANKS FOR AN AMBUSH!
I GAVE THOSE TANKS THE OKAY TO COME THROUGH...I CAN'T STOP THEM NOW. BECAUSE THAT WAS OUR ONLY WALKIE-TALKIE!


THERE'S NO WAY TO STOP THE TANKS, SIR, BUT THE 9TH DIVISION DOGGIES CAN BREAK UP THE NAZI BUNCH WAITING DOWN IN THE VALLEY TO AMBUSH PATTON'S TANKS AFTER THEY'RE STALLED BY THE MINES!
SURE WE COULD..IF THERE WAS SOME WAY TO GET THE DIVISION DOWN THIS MINE-PAVED SLOPE!


WE COULD ROLL THEM DOWN THE HILL, SIR...AND THEIR WEIGHT WILL DETONATE THE TELLER MINES AND CUT PATHS THROUGH THE MINE FIELDS FOR THE 9TH TO FOLLOW AND SMASH THAT NAZI AMBUSH!
PENNY, AS COMBAT WOULD SAY...YOU'RE A GENIUS!

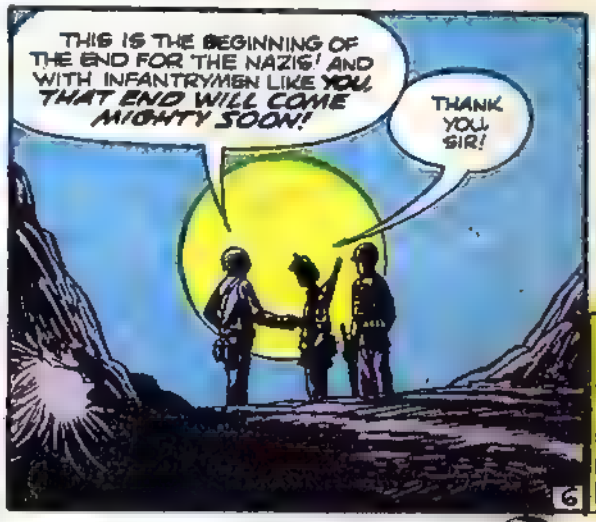
THE 9TH DIVISION DOGGIES BENT THEIR G.I. BACKS, AND DOWN THE GRADE WENT THE EMPTY NAZI TRUCKS SLOWING TELLER MINES EVERY FOOT OF THE WAY...

AND A FEW MINUTES LATER, USING THE CORRIDORS WHICH THE TRUCKS HAD CARVED THROUGH THE MINE FIELD, THE DOGGIES OF THE 9TH DIVISION CHARGED DOWN THE HILL, INTO THE VALLEY, AND INTO THE NAZIS...

THE NAZIS RETREATED ACROSS THE DESERT, BEYOND THE EL GUETTAR MOUNTAINS, AND GENERAL PATTON'S TANKS CAME SPEEDING THROUGH THE PASS WITH THEIR CANNON SHELLS TAKING UP THE CHASE WHERE THE 9TH DIVISION LEFT OFF...

AND ON APRIL 7TH, 1943, PATTON'S TANKS LINKED UP WITH THE DESERT TANKS OF THE BRITISH 8TH ARMY NEAR GABES, AND THE TRAP WAS SHUT ON A QUARTER MILLION NAZIS!

WOW! LOOK AT THOSE PATTON COWBOYS GO!
YEAH! AN' IF THOSE NAZIS THOUGHT THE 9TH DIVISION GAVE THEM A ROUGH TIME, WAIT'LL PATTON GETS THROUGH WITH 'EM!


THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF THE END FOR THE NAZIS! AND WITH INFANTRYMEN LIKE YOU, THAT END WILL COME MIGHTY SOON!
THANK YOU, SIR!
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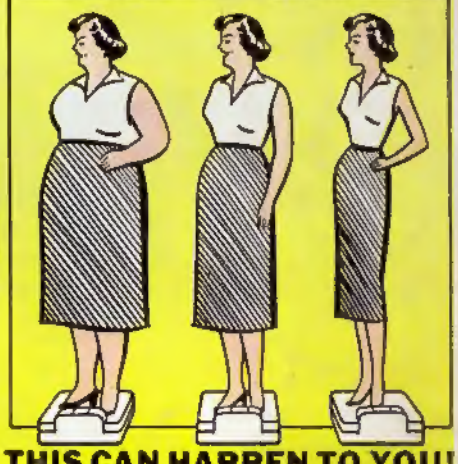

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